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In re Application of :
Heinrich BACHMANN *et al.*

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For: β , β -CAROTENE 15,15'-
DIOXYGENASES, NUCLEIC ACID
SEQUENCES CODING THEREFOR
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PTO-1449 are enclosed).

OTHER DOCUMENTS

C4 Sharma, R.V. *et al.*, "Studies On The Metabolism Of β -Carotene and Apo- β -
Carotenoids In Rats and Chickens," Biochimica et Biophysica Acta, Vol. 486,
pp. 183-194 (1977).

This document was cited in a Communication dated November 4, 2002 (copy
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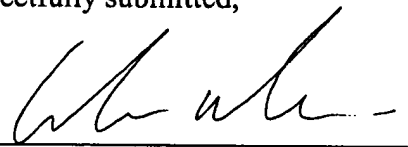
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